

HUMANITIES FACULTY

Department of Sociology/ Community Development

Rather than prepare the student for a narrow speciality, sociology and community development prepares the student to meet the challenges and respond to the opportunities of our increasingly diverse and complex society.

Sociology and community development forms a solid foundation for further study towards careers in community and youth work, counselling and therapy, education which government and public service, business, marketing, politics and activism.

Where you can work in Sociology:

Sociologists are found as teachers, researchers, employees of government agencies, research bureaus, welfare agencies and large companies. Further, Administrative Officer: Federal, State, County, Municipal Advertising Manager, Business/Management Trainee, Community Organization Director, Editor/Journalist, Ethnologist, Hospital Administrator, Labor relations Specialist, Market Research Analyst, Medical Sociologist, Personnel Manager and Police Officer.

Further Study Options (at other Universities)

Master by Thesis / Doctorate - PhD (Optional)
Duration: 3 years MIN+

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Are you intrigued by how communities work?
Do you want to be able to influence behaviour
in a way that brings about positive change?

- **Higher Certificate in Community Development**
- **Bachelor of Arts:** Sociology/Community Development
- **Bachelor of Arts Honours in Community Development:**

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SOCIOLOGY & COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT

Bachelor of Arts

Cornerstone is an independent, not-for-profit higher education institution engaged in teaching and learning in service of others, to advance human dignity and social justice for all.



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WHY STUDY SOCIOLOGY/ COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT?

Are you fascinated by people?
Do you wonder why the world is the way it is?

Sociology studies social life, social change and the social causes and consequences of human behaviour.

Why study BA majoring in Sociology/ Community Development?

The student would be able to analyse and evaluate these theories with reference to issues such as poverty, globalisation, conflict, the environment and gender, with a special focus on South Africa and the African continent. The qualification also provides the students with practical community, cross-cultural and social research skills.

Why study Community Development?

Our programmes enable graduates to work in a wide variety of community development projects (e.g. government, NGO, religious institutions). We aim to produce community workers who approach their task from deep ethical convictions and acquire the sociological knowledge, tools, and skills that development studies can provide.

WHAT DO I NEED TO STUDY SOCIOLOGY

Undergraduate Studies
(admission requirements):

Studying Higher Certificate in Community Development

- Introduction to sociological and development theories
- Applied development studies including community mobilisation, monitoring and evaluation
- Leadership skills - ethics & professionalism, project management and intercultural communication
- Building academic literacy & computer skills
- Community Fieldwork

Study Period

- Two years part time on campus

Admission Requirements:

- National Senior Certificate (NSC) or National Certificate Vocational;
- A Matriculation Certificate or equivalent;
- Mature student (45+) admission through RPL (Recognition of Prior Learning)

Studying BA majoring in Sociology/ Community Development

- In-depth understanding of sociological and development theories
- Critically engage issues such as poverty, globalisation, conflict, the environment and social difference such as race and gender
- Special focus on South Africa & the African continent
- Practical community, cross-cultural and social research skills through fieldwork placements and applied research projects

Study Period

- Three years minimum: on campus or online

Admission Requirements:

- National Senior Certificate (NSC) with a bachelor's pass or equivalent;
- A Matriculation Certificate (with university exemption) or equivalent;
- A Higher Certificate or an Advanced Certificate or Diploma in a cognate field;



CONTACT INFORMATION

Postgraduate Studies
(after you complete your degree):

Studying BA Honours in Community Development

Only qualification of its kind in South Africa!

- Expand knowledge of theory and practice in the discipline of community development
- Grounded in community-focused research
- Analyse and apply foundational knowledge of community development theory
- Gain understanding and skills to facilitate collective actions in the context of communities.

Study Period

- One year full-time or Two years part-time: campus only

Admission Requirements:

- Three year Bachelor degree (or equivalent) with social science as a major subject, with a minimum of 60% average. Alternative admission through Senate approval is also available.

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